

Emperor William Incensed.

HE SENDS A STRONGER PROTEST TO GREAT BRITAIN.

Berlin, Jan 4.—The seizure of the Imperial mail steamer General has considerably aggravated the situation here, and the indignation against England is intensified. The Government is still earnestly endeavoring to preserve correct official forms, but England will do well to hasten to make the amende honorable to Germany.

On absolutely reliable authority the correspondent of the Associated Press learns that Emperor William is now thoroughly aroused by the repeated seizures of vessels, not one of which, he has been assured, has been guilty of carrying contraband. He regards the seizures as high-handed proceedings, which England would not dare to undertake if the German navy were more powerful than it is. His Majesty is said to be particularly incensed because information has reached him showing that the seizures were not due to the blundering of British naval officers, but to strict orders from headquarters, which the officers are merely carrying out. He has therefore instructed Count Von Buelow, the foreign secretary, to demand exact and full reparation for the outrage done to the German flag.

No answer that is considered satisfactory has yet been received from London, and, according to advices here, none is to be expected for several days longer.

Today's news, however, induced the German government to send another and more strongly worded protest to London.

ANOTHER GERMAN SHIP SEIZED.

Berlin, Jan 4.—The Imperial Mail steamer General has been detained at Aden, and occupied by British troops, with the object of searching her cargo, which is to be discharged. The General is owned by the German East African Line, the owners of the Bremen rath, previously captured by the British cruiser Magicienne off Delagoa bay.

PREPARED AGAINST SEIZURE

Rome, Jan 4.—The German steamer Kanizer, with the Dutch and Russian Red Cross detachments for the Transvaal on board discharged a quantity of her cargo of Naples to day, as it was contraband of war. The Kanizer belongs to the same company as the Bundesrath and General.

Hamburg, Jan 4.—Although the manifests of the German steamer General show there was no war material on board, she was compelled to discharge her cargo.

The German East Africa Company publishes a statement in the Hamburger Nachrichten, saying that immediately on the declaration of war the company voluntarily refused to take to Africa two consignments of arms already on board their vessels, simply to avoid trouble and delay in connection with the other portion of the cargoes.

A copy of the manifest of the Bundesrath has been published, showing that her cargo did not contain contraband. The owners declare that there is absolutely no foundation for the statement that saddles and other war material have been found amid the cargo of the Bundesrath.

Sampson Versus Schley.

Washington, Jan 3.—As a result of the conference which President McKinley has had with the captains who served under Sampson and Schley the old controversy has been revived in a new form. Senator McCumbe, of Maryland, was with the President today and it is said that he laid down the law for the friends of Admiral Schley in no uncertain terms.

After Gen. Agassiz, for Schley, had agreed some time ago that the best way out of the controversy was for both men to be made vice admirals, making this concession to the Sampson people, although he did not believe it right that the men who weren't in the battle at all should have any of the glory. Crowninshield and Long set about to upset it in the interest of Sampson. Their scheme was to create but one vice admiral and give the rank to Sampson. Now the Maryland Senators and others who believe in fair play declare that unless Schley is made vice admiral as well as Sampson there shall be no such office created. The whole bottom of the Act Schley contention has been knocked out by Capt. Cook, of the Brooklyn, assuming full responsibility for the famous loop, which has been made the basis by Crowninshield and the navy clique for the efforts to impute cowardice to Schley. Instead of running away, Capt. Cook shows that this was the best kind of tactics. However that may be, it knocks out the Schley prosecutors completely. R. M. L.

C. A. Snow & Co., Patent Lawyers, opposite the U. S. Patent Office, Washington, D. C., who have actual clients in every city and town of the United States and Canada, report that never before in their 25 years practice has the work of the Office been so well up to date. They claim that patents can now be procured in less than half the time formerly required. Nov 1-3m

A Naval Academy Scandal.

The Superintendent, Charged With Unfairness to a South Carolina Cadet.

Washington, Jan 4.—Congressman Latimer of South Carolina, was the central figure of a sensational scene at the office of the secretary of the navy today. This was the second chapter of a sensation brought on by the unjust treatment at Annapolis of a South Carolina boy, who is a cadet, the inspiration of this treatment being Admiral McNair, the head of the Naval Academy. The result of it all is an investigation into the conduct of the old admiral by the secretary of the navy and there can be no doubt of the reinstatement of the cadet. He is Cadet Maxwell, of Anderson. Maxwell was, in the slang of the academy, sent to conventry by his class because of alleged implication in some disgraceful proceedings that figured during the Christmas jollities at Annapolis.

When the matter was first before the class the action was favorable to Maxwell, but there was a subsequent meeting at which Maxwell was decided against.

When the boy got into the trouble he telegraphed his father to come on. His father asked Congressman Latimer, who appointed young Maxwell to investigate and, accordingly, Congressman Latimer went over there yesterday. In the course of his investigation he found that the action of the class had undoubtedly been inspired by the Admiral. He asked McNair about the case and the old admiral denied any knowledge of it. When he discovered what he had reason to believe the truth Congressman Latimer was very mad and charged McNair with lying to him. This brought on a sensational scene, the upshot of which was an apology from McNair and the promise that the wrong that had been done the boy should be righted. The congressman made it plain that he would not uphold the boy if he was in the wrong but he proposed to have fair play.

Today the scene of action was transferred to Washington. One of McNair's aides came to Latimer, begging him not to make any charges against the admiral, and he agreed that he would not if there was full reparation made the wronged cadet.

Later, however, the secretary of the Navy took up the matter and sent for Admiral McNair, who was here. The secretary had tried to get Latimer to prefer charges, but the latter said he did not want to give the old man trouble and that he did not consider that McNair was altogether responsible for his conduct yesterday. When the admiral and Latimer met face to face, the secretary having in the meantime talked with the admiral, the latter was enraged beyond measure. "You have charged that I was drunk," he cried out to the congressman; "you lie." With that Latimer jumped up and was about to strike the admiral, when the latter apologized most abjectly, taking back all offensive words. He was evidently laboring under intense excitement. After awhile, however, he quieted down, and the matter was left by the secretary with the understanding that McNair is to investigate the Maxwell case thoroughly and make proper amends if any wrong has been done the cadet. This, Mr. Latimer insists, must come in the shape of a public apology by McNair to the boy before the class.

It is highly probable that their will be official investigation into McNair's conduct, although there is a general disposition on the part of all concerned to let him off as lightly as possible because of his age and the fact that he will retire within a year.—R. M. L. in News and Courier

Millions Given Away.

It is certainly gratifying to the public to know of one concern in the land who are not afraid to be generous to the needy and suffering. The proprietors of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, have given away over ten million trial bottles of this great medicine; and have the satisfaction of knowing it has absolutely cured thousands of hopeless cases. Asthma, Bronchitis, Hoarseness and all diseases of the Throat, Chest and Lungs are surely cured by it. Call on J. F. W. DeLorme, Druggist, and get a trial bottle free. Regular size 50c and \$1. Every bottle guaranteed, or price refunded. 3

ARTESIAN WELLS

Prof. L. C. Glenn of the South Carolina College, on the occasion of his trip to Washington during the Christmas holidays had an interview with the head of the geological department relative to artesian wells, and the department has interested Prof. Glenn and has turned over to him inquiries and investigation relative to the artesian wells in the low-country. Mr. Glenn will make a careful inquiry and personal investigation in the artesian well situation in the low-country, and will write a report, which will be published in the geological reports. He is anxious to have letters about the matter and will be pleased to give such information as he may have or be able to collect.

"Remarkable Journalism."

How The Southern Christian Advocate Deals With the Greenville News.

The following is from the Southern Christian Advocate of this week: "The Greenville News of Sunday last thus endeavors to be humorous and chides the Advocate for publishing the false report that Rev. W. E. Wiggins had died in Sumter county on December 22."

"Let our esteemed contemporary, the Southern Christian Advocate, modestly abstain hereafter from criticism of the daily press and comment on the untrustworthy characteristics of yellow journalism. For The Advocate has killed and officially buried and obituarized the Rev. W. E. Wiggins and Mr. Wiggins has been sending out indignant bulletins denying that he is dead."

"We received one of these bulletins by telegraph yesterday and supposed some sensational yellow journal had prematurely done him to death; but on the first page of The Advocate we found the announcement the truth of which he challenges. We learn from The Advocate that he 'died very suddenly' in Sumter county last Thursday. It seems that he was to go to his new charges at Easley and Bethesda on December 22d and The Advocate lamented that he was cut down so untimely. It is really a very nice obituary notice and we have no doubt Mr. Wiggins appreciates the opportunity of seeing how pleasantly he was spoken of in his supposed character as a remains. The Advocate describes him as its 'gentle, courteous, sweet-spirited and faithful brother.' It says he has been 'called to the home of the blessed and the mission of the redeemed and glorified,' and in view of this confident assertion we hardly know whether or not to congratulate Mr. Wiggins on the fact that he has died."

"Nevertheless, for the sake of the brother's new charges, for which The Advocate feels deeply, and in behalf of the Methodist Church, of which Mr. Wiggins is a valued young preacher, and on general principles, we welcome Brother Wiggins back to life and congratulate him on his nice obituary."

"To us the fun seems in bad taste, but we deserve the chiding, for we and the treasurer of our Conference Brotherhood made the mistake by relying upon the columns of The Greenville News."

"We print from The Greenville News of Dec. 23 the following, headlines and all:

"THE REV. W. E. WIGGINS DROPPED DEAD"

"The sad news reached Greenville yesterday that the Rev. W. E. Wiggins, who was ordered transferred by the Orangeburg conference from the Sumter district to the Easley-Bethesda circuit, embracing Pickens and Anderson counties, dropped dead at his home in the Sumter district on Thursday. He was expected in Easley yesterday. Mr. Wiggins was a highly esteemed and greatly beloved young member of the conference."

"Our readers will see that The Greenville News is responsible for the circulation of the unfortunate report and the incident proves that some secular journals cannot be relied upon either for news or for acknowledging their errors."

Crossing the Wateree.

Spaulding's S. C., via Camden, S. C., January 3. The Seaboard Air Line train crossed the Wateree River at 5 this evening, with a train load of rails and material and a private car of one of the high officials of the system attached, on one of the most substantial and secure trestles ever built in the South. This makes connection on the grading between here and Columbia and a force of a hundred hands are laying track on the Columbia division.

Pro-Boer Resolution in Congress.

Washington, Jan 4.—Representative Quarles, of Virginia, has introduced the following house resolution:

Resolved, That we hereby extend to our sister republics in Africa, the Transvaal and the Orange Free State our deepest sympathy in the noble, brave and patriotic struggle they are now making to preserve their government from destruction by the hands of monarchy.

Shocking Accident.

Birmingham, Ala., Jan 2.—As a result of a powder explosion at the home of C. M. Patterson near Drain postoffice in Lowndes County last Friday, three people are dead and three badly burned. Mr. Patterson was loading shells preparatory to a hunting party from an open keg of powder, which he held between his knees. One of his little girls suddenly threw a piece of wood on the fire in the grate and the explosion followed a second later. The little girl was instantly killed and Mr. Patterson's father and mother, who were seated before the fire were so badly burned that they died yesterday. Mr. Patterson is reported to be fatally burned. Patterson's wife rushed into an adjoining room with her clothes on fire and picked up her baby. Both were severely burned.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY.



Condensed Schedule in Effect Dec. 10, 1900.

No. 11 No. 3 Daily	Eastern Time	No. 6 No. 12 Daily
5:30p 7:00a Lv. Charleston	Ar. 11:00a 8:15p	
6:00p 7:41a " Summerville	Ar. 10:10a 7:29p	
7:30p 8:55a " Branchville	Ar. 9:52a 6:02p	
8:21p 9:22a " Orangeburg	Ar. 8:22a 5:34p	
9:20p 10:15a " Kingville	Ar. 7:30a 4:43p	
11:45a Ar. Sumter	Lv. 3:00p	
11:45a Ar. Camden	Lv. 2:50p	
10:10p 11:00a Ar. Columbia	Lv. 6:45a 4:00p	

NOTE: In addition to the above service trains Nos. 15 and 16 run daily between Charleston and Columbia, carrying elegant Pullman sleeping cars. No. 15 leaves Charleston 11:00 p. m., arrives Columbia 6:30 a. m., No. 16 leaves Columbia 1:30 a. m., arrives Charleston 7:00 a. m. Sleeping cars ready for occupancy at 9:00 p. m. both at Charleston and Columbia. These trains make close connections at Columbia with through trains between Florida points and Washington and the east.

	Ex. Sun.	Ex. Sun.
Lv. Augusta	7:00a 9:10a 5:30p	
Ar. Savannah	1:00p 12:50p 8:40p	
Lv. Savannah	5:40a 7:50a 3:10p	
Ar. Augusta	1:00p 12:50p 8:40p	
Lv. Savannah	5:40a 7:50a 3:10p	
Ar. Augusta	1:00p 12:50p 8:40p	

	Daily	Daily	Ex. Sun.	Ex. Sun.
Lv. Savannah	12:00a 12:15p	6:55a		
Ar. Augusta	4:00a 4:02p	7:25a		
Ar. Columbia	4:15a 4:17p	10:20a		
Ar. Batesburg		12:30p		
Ar. Columbia	6:00p 6:02p			

	Daily	Daily	Ex. Sun.	Ex. Sun.
Lv. Columbia	11:25a 1:00p 6:00a			
Lv. Batesburg		2:10p		
Ar. Blackville	1:12p 2:05p 10:10a	4:50p 10:50a		
Ar. Removell	1:21p 3:20p 10:00a	9:10p 10:25a		
Ar. Aiken	1:29p 3:28p 9:50a	9:00p 10:15a		
Ar. Savannah	2:30p 5:15p			

Atlanta and Beyond.

	Daily	Daily	Ex. Sun.	Ex. Sun.
Lv. Charleston	7:00a 8:15p			
Ar. Augusta	11:00a 7:29p			
Ar. Atlanta	8:22a 5:34p			
Lv. Atlanta	11:00a 7:29p			
Ar. Chattanooga	8:22a 5:34p			
Lv. Atlanta	5:40a 7:50a			
Ar. Birmingham	11:00a 7:29p			
Ar. Memphis	8:22a 5:34p			
Ar. Louisville	5:40a 7:50a			
Ar. St. Louis	11:00a 7:29p			
Ar. Memphis	8:22a 5:34p			

To Asheville-Charlotte-Louisville.

	Daily	Daily	Ex. Sun.	Ex. Sun.
Lv. Augusta	7:00a 8:15p			
Ar. Batesburg	11:00a 7:29p			
Lv. Charleston	7:00a 8:15p			
Ar. Columbia	11:00a 7:29p			
Ar. Batesburg	11:00a 7:29p			
Ar. Columbia	11:00a 7:29p			
Ar. Charlotte	11:00a 7:29p			
Ar. Louisville	11:00a 7:29p			
Ar. Memphis	11:00a 7:29p			
Ar. St. Louis	11:00a 7:29p			

To Washington and the East.

	Daily	Daily	Ex. Sun.	Ex. Sun.
Lv. Augusta	7:00a 8:15p			
Ar. Batesburg	11:00a 7:29p			
Lv. Charleston	7:00a 8:15p			
Ar. Columbia	11:00a 7:29p			
Ar. Batesburg	11:00a 7:29p			
Ar. Columbia	11:00a 7:29p			
Ar. Washington	11:00a 7:29p			
Ar. Baltimore	11:00a 7:29p			
Ar. Philadelphia	11:00a 7:29p			
Ar. New York	11:00a 7:29p			

Sleeping Car Line between Charleston and Atlanta via Augusta, making connections at Atlanta for all points North and West. Solid Trains between Charleston and Asheville.

Connections at Columbia with through trains for Washington and the East and for Jacksonville and all Florida points.

FRANKS, GANNON, J. M. CULP.

Third V.P. & Gen. Mgr., Traffic Manager, Washington, D. C.

GEORGE B. ALLEN, Div. Pass. Agt., Charleston, S. C.

W. A. TURK, Gen. Pass. Agt., S. H. HARDWICK, Asst. Gen. Pass. Agt., Washington, D. C., Atlanta, Ga.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS.

OFFICE OF COUNTY TREASURER SUMTER COUNTY.

SUMTER, S. C., Sept. 29, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that I will be in my office in the County Court House at Sumter from October 15th to December 31st, 1899, inclusive, for the collection of taxes for the fiscal year 1899. The levy is as follows:

For State purposes,	5 mills.
For County purposes,	3 1/2 mills.
For School purposes,	3 mills.

Total levy, 11 1/2 mills.

Also the following special school levies:

School District No. 1,	2 mills.
School District No. 16,	2 mills.
School District No. 18,	2 mills.
School District No. 27,	3 mills.
Mt. Cho,	3 mills.
Concord,	2 mills.
Privateer,	2 mills.
No. 5,	1 mill.
No. 17,	1 mill.

Commutation Road Tax for 1900 is also payable at the same time.

H. L. SCARBOROUGH, Treasurer Sumter Co.

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Notice of Registration.

The State of South Carolina—Sumter County—Office of Supervisors of Registration, Sumter County, Sumter, S. C., February 1st, 1899.

Notice is hereby given that in accordance with an Act of the General Assembly, and in conformity with the requirements of the State Constitution, the books for the registration of all legally qualified voters, and for the issuing of transfers, etc., will be open at the office of Supervisors of Registration in the court house, between the hours of 9 o'clock a. m. and 3 o'clock p. m., on the first Monday of each month, until thirty days before the next general election. Minors who shall become of age during that period of thirty days shall be entitled to registration before the books are closed, if otherwise qualified. The requirements for a qualified voter are that the applicant for registration shall be able to read and write correctly, or possess in his own name property to the amount of three hundred dollars, upon which he pays taxes.

E. F. BURROWS, J. M. KNIGHT, Supervisors of Registration Sumter Co.

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Estate of Mrs. Hannah M. Cusick, DECEASED.

ALL PERSONS having claims against said Estate will present same duly verified, and all persons in any way indebted to said Estate will make immediate payment to

MICHAEL C. KAYNAUGH, and NELO DONNELL, Dec 20-31 Qualified Executors.

A FEW WORDS TO OUR FRIENDS.

MR. EDITOR:

You may have had us in mind when referring in a recent issue of your paper to the peculiarity of merchants in regard to advertising, in which you quoted them as saying that "in good times it was not necessary to advertise, and in hard times it did not pay." While we have always found that advertising paid us, we must confess that for the past sixty days any increase of business that we might secure by that means, could not have been satisfactorily waited on, as our clerical force has been taxed to its utmost capacity.

Now that the rush of cotton is over and we have an opportunity to say a few words to our friends in the country, we desire to acknowledge, through the columns of the Watchman and Southron, our grateful thanks to them for the liberal patronage bestowed upon us, for which we can offer nothing in return except our promise that their interests will be as carefully guarded by us in the future as they have been in the past.

It is particularly gratifying to us to acknowledge a very liberal trade during the months of September and October from our farming friends, to whom it was our pleasure to extend a credit during the summer. It proves to us that they appreciate our endeavor to be just and reasonable with them, when they need assistance, as we have always tried to be—our motto being

LIVE AND LET LIVE

Although we tried to anticipate this season's wants by buying a heavier stock than ever before, our trade has so far exceeded our expectations, that we have been obliged to replenish frequently and freely every department of our store.

In Dry Goods

We bought a very heavy stock of staples, a fair percentage of which we still have on hand and are selling at old prices, Those

Tar Heel Blankets

Which you have been waiting for so long have come at last. It was not our fault that they were not here sooner as our contracts were made in May for September delivery, but the mill has been so crowded with orders it was impossible to deliver them sooner. These goods are made in

A Southern Mill.
From Southern Wool,
By Southern Men

and there are none better. They are improving on the finish every year. We are selling at the same price as last year; but if we have to duplicate we will be obliged to charge an advance. We only have about

FIFTY PAIRS,

so don't put off buying, or you may get left.

SHOES.

Why the advance in cotton should have affected the price of shoes, but strange to say they too have gone up. We don't know whether it was judgment or luck, but our purchases for Fall were nearly double our usual contracts. We are buying now for Spring and paying 10 to 15 per cent more for the same class of goods, but those on hand will go at the old prices while they last.

In our write-up about Shoes last Fall we had something special to say about

The H. C. Godman Line for Women and Children.

Our increased sales for these goods prove that we told the truth. Bear in mind we are still the SOLE AGENTS FOR THEM AND GUARANTEE EVERY PAIR.

THE L. M. REYNOLDS LINE OF MEN'S SHOES, sold exclusively by us, are trade-winners. The prices range from \$1.75 to \$3.50, and every pair warranted. If you want the best \$3.00 shoe buy a Reynolds.

CLOTHING.

This has certainly been our banner season in the clothing business, and if there are any of the men or boys in the county who have not bought a suit, it has not been our fault; but fearing there still may be a few unprovided, we are keeping up our stock by telegraphing orders for shipment by express.

If you need an overcoat see us before buying, as we have some great values.

In our Hat and Furnishing Goods Department will be found some values that compare favorably with the balance of our stock.

This announcement would not be complete without a word about our

GROCERY STOCK.

This department is up to the usual standard, and that is saying about all that is necessary for it. Our MILLBURN FLOUR, of which we believe there is more sold in this county than other brand, is pronounced by those who use it unsurpassed.

O'Donnell & Co.